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TODAY'S MORNING PAPERS, LA PRENSA GRAFICA AND DIARIO DE HOY, GAVE PROMINENT INTERIOR PAGE COVERAGE TO UPI STROY "HENRY KISSINGER BEGINS LATIN AMERICAN TRIP." THIS ITEM OUTLINES BASIC REASONS AND GOALS KISSINGER TRIP AND STATES HE WILL MEET WITH ALL CENTRAL AMERICAN CHIEFS OF STATE IN SAN JOSE. WEEKEND PAPERS (WHICH DO NOT CARRY EDITORIALS) GAVE ROUTINE TREATMENT KISSINGER VISIT, BASED UPON COMMERCIAL WIRE SERVICE AND USIS RELEASES. TWENTY RADIO STATIONS, INCLUDING TWO NATIONAL CHAINS, CARRIED USIS-PRODUCED CRONICA DE LA SEMANA WHICH LED OFF WITH ARF BACKGROUNDEERS ON KISSINGER LATIN AMERICAN TRIP.

LOCAL MEDIA CONTINUED TO REPORT ON PRESIDENT MOLINA'S DECISION TO TURN DOWN COSTA RICAN INVITATION TO ATTEND MEETING OF CENTRAL AMERICAN CHIEFS OF STATE IN SAN JOSE. DIARIO DE HOY CARRIED TODAY A LONG INTERVIEW OF COSTA RICAN FORMIN FACIO IN WHICH HE ADVISED PRESIDENT MOLINA'S "REASONS FOR DECLINING THIS INVITATION ARE VALID AND LOGICAL." HE ADDED THAT EL SALVADOR "WILL BE WELL REPRESENTED BY FORMIN MAURICIO BORGONOVO." HE ALSO COMMENTED THAT THE SAN JOSE MEETING WILL CONTINUE AS PLANNED, NOTWITHSTANDING ABSENCE OF GUATEMALAN AND SALVADORAN PRESIDENTS. LEADING LA PRENSA GRAFICA CARRIED PAGE TWO PHOTO OF FORMIN BORGONOVO SAYING GOODBYE TO FORMIN FACIO AT SAN SALVADOR AIR-PORT. CAPTION QUOTES FACIO AS STATING HE DOES NOT FEEL "DISAPPOINTED" BY MOLINA'S DECISION AND CONSIDERS EL SALVADOR WELL REPRESENTED BY BORGONOVO.

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IN ANOTHER RELATED STORY, DIARIO DE HOY REPORTED ON QUICK OVER-

WEEKEND VISIT TO SAN SALVADOR BY PANAMA PRESIDENT TORRIJOS,
FOLLOWING HIS TRIP TO GUATEMALA. THIS ITEM SPECULATED
THAT ONE OF THE REASONS FOR HIS VISIT HERE MIGHT BE TO ZMMMTRY
AND PERSUADE PRESIDENT MOLINA TO ATTEND THE SAN JOSE MEETING."
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